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01

[image]

Greetings.

02

I am PoppyBelly.

03

I'm a little confused though.

04

Aren't you medic cats supposed to visit StarClan?

05

I don't really think it matters if your an apprentice or not, kid..

06

What?

07

You wanna see my face..?

08

No.

09

I don't want to tell you why, it's a little long-

10

You really are determined aren't you?

Fine.

11

It began not long after my warrior ceremony.

12

I was spending time with my old mentor, just to relive a bit of my apprenticeship.

13

We were looking at the stars on JaggedCliff.

14

There was no moon.

15

There were no clouds.

16

Next thing I know

17

QuietGasp was tumbling over the edge.

18

I tried to save him

19

I really did!

20

. . .

21

Don't give me that look.

22

The clan didn't believe me.

23

CowerStar always was stubborn once he got his mind set to something.

24

I even showed the rock he slipped on!

25

I had to run away.

26

The stares.

27

The fearful look from my mother.

28

The angered look from my father.

29

The unconvinced look of my brother.

30

The look from my sister.

31

There wasn't anything in her eyes.

32

It was as if she wasn't even there.

33

I hid in a twoleg trashcan for weeks.

34

I finally decided to come to StarClan for help.

35

I closed my eyes under the MoonFlower.

36

Just to be met with the disapproving face of Wendy.

37

That was the day I learned StarClan can't see us when the Moon is gone.

38

That was also the day I learned that StarClan is just as biased as CowerStar.

39

They didn't even see the accident!

40

Why!?

41

WHY!?

42

QuietGasp even told them about the accident!

43

But they practically **control** our world.

44

So does some cat's say who has been there for less then a moon count?

45

No.

46

Of course not.

47

And so

48

Just like all those times before

49

Those awful, terrible moments of **weakness**

50

I came crawling back.

51

I obviously didn't just waltz into camp.

52

No, I stuck around the territory for a while.

53

Well, that was until a patrol caught me eating the scraps of some mouse they buried.

54

And then, there I was.

55

Grovelling for whatever pieces of my life he could spare.

56

CowerStar stood by his first assumption.

57

He glared into my eyes with his cold, icey blue ones.

58

The other cats surrounding me shifted in their impatience to what the leader had to declare.

59

Although I knew what it was from the start, as he began with a hiss.

60

"You foolish, murderous cat! Thinking that pleading like a coward will spare your life!?"

61

I curled up tightly against myself.

62

The other cats began to hiss and snarl in agreement.

63

How foolish I was,

64

To think I was going to be accepted back in...

65

What a laugh!

66

A joke!

67

A cruel, cruel StarClan-forsaken ***joke.***

68

I tried to hold my tears in as the leader began to speak once more.

69

But they came pouring out anyway.

70

"I'll give you three days to say goodbye to whatever you have left, not that you have much."

71

He spat at me, the sticky liquid landing in front of my paws.

He turned away sharply, before stalking off.

73

I slowly turned around.

74

I could hear whispers about me.

75

About CowerStar's decision to keep me alive for so long.

76

They kept their distance.

77

Thankfully, as long as they avoid me, I shouldn't be harmed.

78

But it still hurt.

79

Seeing the same cats I laughed with

80

Played games with, hunted with

81

Looking at me as though I'm nothing more then rotten prey.

82

It was the first day after the confrontation.

83

My family won't even look at me.

84

The queens keep their kits away from me.

85

I get judging stares from my best friends.

86

It's the second day.

87

People scratch and spit on me whenever I pass.

88

I tried to speak to my brother.

89

He cried in utter disgust.

90

I tried to speak to my sister.

91

She told mother and father, and then I didn't see her outside the warrior's den without one of them around her.

92

It's the last day.

93

I didn't even attempt to speak to my parents.

94

My mother hissed a quiet 'how could I raise such a monster?'

95

Father just pushed me away, not even sparing me a glance.

96

For the third time, I sleep outside of the camp, and out in the cold.

97

Today was my execution day.

98

They brought me to JaggedCliff.

99

To kill me where QuietGasp died in his honour.

100

HeathenWart and TigerStride were the ones to throw me off.

101

I lasted no more then a few seconds.

102

It was quick, but it felt like an eternity.

103

I was dragged down here by long thorns.

104

It didn't surprise me.

105

I knew I would end up here.

106

All because of coincidences.

107

If that rock wasn't sitting there.

108

If I hadn't gone with that day.

109

If it were just a sliver of a moon out.

110

Everything would be okay.

111

But Fate loves toying with coincidences.

112

What does that have to do with my face?

113

There's a reason that the other Dark Forest cats laugh when they hear my name.

114

And a reason that place is called JaggedCliff.

115

My belly..

116

It was split wide open by the jagged rocks down the mountain.

117

And us Dark Forest cats aren't allowed to heal.

118

Yes, it still hurts.

119

As it always will.

120

Heed my warning, medic child.

121

Fate is never to be laughed at.

T r i v i a

- PoppyBelly is a British shorthair tabby mix, with flecks of orange from their father. They had bright orange eyes.

- You are a medic apprentice, a grey tabby with white stripes.

- PoppyBelly goes by they/them pronouns.

- PoppyBelly was later let into StarClan. They do not know why, but they went with it anyway. They were healed upon entering.

- PoppyBelly's father, MapleCrest, was an orange tabby.

- PoppyBelly's mother, RobinSpark, was a British shorthair.

- PoppyBelly's brother, HoneyLimp, looked like a purebred British shorthair, except for the orange underbelly that strikes up across his face like a scar. Their sister, SwanVine, looked the exact same as their brother, except the strike was on the opposite side of her face.

- CowerStar was in love with QuietGasp. He eventually came to terms that QuietGasp loved him like a brother, but CowerStar still felt the same. This is why he was so quick to jump to conclusions.

- CowerStar felt guilty after he realized his mistake.

- Wendy was a kittypet who joined the clan. She was crushed to death after hiding from the rain under a twoleg monster.

- Wendy talks a lot with PoppyBelly, they are, once again, the best of friends.

- PoppyBelly looks up to QuietGasp as a father, as they lost most of their love for their own after he disowned them. They had always seen him as a father figure, but now realize what they felt about him.

- The MoonFlower is a giant hogweed plant in the middle of four

giant birch trees. It seems to glow in the light of the full moon, and they don't touch it because those who do end up with terrible burns. They think that StarClan burns them for touching the MoonFlower.

- QuietGasp was the one to let PoppyBelly in, against the rest of StarClan's wishes. After seeing them not doing anything, they let them be at peace in StarClan.

- This takes place around an inactive volcano that is surrounded by a birch forest. It takes place near Maine, with four clans called RivuletClan, TundraClan, ChasmClan, and RidgeClan. PoppyBelly was part of RivuletClan. They mostly eat sea minks and meadow voles.

- Although this has nothing to do with the story, in this world the fourtrees are actually known as "The Woven Stones", as they are formed as though the rocks are braided like grass blades. They have five sharp rocks at the top that leaders sit at. They say that they're so sharp that only true leaders can withstand sitting on them for a full night. They have a small moat at the bottom of the rock collection, along with random white and pink (quartz) scattered about in the surrounding area and on The Woven Stones. Warriors see these stones as markers for cats who have passed on, so no matter how many litter the area like gravel, they do not bother to move them out of the clearing.

- Because I always thought that just "disappearing" after people forgot about you or whatever was always too sad, in my world I've changed it. Both the place of no stars and StarClan have several layers. Higher ups are allowed to visit lower levels, but lower levels can't go to higher ups. This is not a status symbol, although it was originally meant to be as RainCrown (Leaders were known as 'Crowns' before becoming 'Stars') had designed it to be. There are barely any rules in StarClan, so they layers, known as 'Rings', are just showing how long you've been there. Those who pass a certain number of moons are allowed to the next ring, as are very important cats, such as those who are prophecy cats or something of the sort. At the top is RainCrown himself, although none else are allowed up at the top accept him. RainCrown also help create the Dark Forest with the help of HeathenCrown. They too, have rings.

Although HeathenCrown never did much wrong, he took it upon himself to keep the Dark Forest in check, which is why barely any attacks on living cats has been made by Dark Forest cats. At the bottom is HeathenCrown himself. None are allowed at the bottom. In total, there are 20 rings for each side, not including the top/ bottom. The more cats die, the more rings are added. There was originally 3 for each. This has been going on for longer then time could tell. If a ring is added to say, The Dark Forest, StarClan would also gain a ring, and vice versa. A new ring is added every 100 - 200 cats or so.

- If I missed anything, misspelled anything, or if you have any questions, please let me know in the comments.

- This was a test to see if I should do more. I really enjoyed this. This is my first time doing something like this, criticism very, very welcome. But please don't be rude or hateful-

- I have added way too much info for this place but it's mostly to make sure I can remember my own notes, and for you all to know at the same time. Two prey with one swipe.